## Mindfulness, Emotions & Feelings Activities for Thursday

#### On the Move

### Happy/Sad Sort

Your child will enjoy this happy vs. sad sorting relay.

#### Materials:

- Magazines, family photos, or printed pictures
- Paper
- Marker
- Two empty containers

#### Instructions:

- 1. Select photos that clearly represent happy and sad emotions (These can be cut from magazines/newspaper, printed from the internet, or use family photos).
- 2. Label the two empty containers with "Happy" and "Sad".
- 3. Ask your toddler to look at each selected picture and decide if it represents happy or sad and place it in the correct bin.

#### **Adventures Online**

### **Super Salad**

Make a healthy salad with Bert and Ernie. As you play the game talk with your child about the importance of healthy eating habits.

https://www.sesamestreet.org/games?id=20585

### **Sensory Time**

### **Expressive Walk**

Feeling emotions can make you react in different ways. Even the way we walk.

#### Materials:

• You and your toddler

#### Instructions:

- 1. Name an emotion for your child (happy, sad, excited, scared, mad, etc.)
- 2. Walk as though you are feeling that emotion and have your child mimic you.
- 3. Ask them to show you their expressive walk and try to figure out the emotion.
- 4. Talk to your child about the way they are walking to express their feelings. "Does having a happy walk put a bounce in your step?" or "Are you running because you're excited?

### **Story Time**

### **Bedtime with Blippi**

Blippi reads aloud his first book Bedtime with Blippi book in a library. This is a great bedtime story for children.

Read Aloud: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdJelOI6COQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdJelOI6COQ</a>

## **Arts and Creativity**

# Show Me How You Feel

Your toddler will have fun creating this free art choice.

### Materials:

- Paper
- Paint, crayons or markers

### Instructions:

- 1. Have your toddler paint or draw how they are feeling today.
- 2. When they are done, ask them to name their picture with a feeling
- 3. Talk to your toddler about how they felt while they were making their picture.